DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



	REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
ALL COUNTY LETTER NO.	[] State Law Change [] Federal Law or Regulation

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY CHILD CARE COORDINATORS

ALL COUNTY WELFARE TO WORK COORDINATORS

STAGE ONE ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT PROGRAM PROVIDERS

SUBJECT: FORMER CalWORKs RECIPIENTS WHOSE CHILDREN ARE

TIMING OUT OF STAGE ONE CHILD CARE [CW 2197 (1/04)]

REFERENCE: ACL 99-63, DATED SEPTEMBER 7, 1999, PUBLICATION OF

CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO

KIDS (CalWORKs) CHILD CARE REGULATIONS

ACL 03-30, DATED JULY 3, 2003, FORMER CAIWORKS RECIPIENTS WHOSE CHILDREN ARE TIMING OUT OF STAGE ONE CHILD CARE

[CW 2197 (7/03)]

Attached is the Timing Out Questionnaire – Stage One CalWORKs Child Care (CW 2197) for July 2003 through December 2005. Counties are asked to complete a CW 2197 in January and July of each year. This data helps estimate the funding necessary to serve former CalWORKs recipients in Stage Three child care after they have exhausted their 24 months of Stage One child care benefits.

Current regulations provide that former CalWORKs recipients must receive Stage One child care if child care services are not available in Stage Two or Stage Three. However, former recipients cannot remain in Stage One beyond 24 months of eligibility after leaving cash assistance.

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) must determine the number of children who have or who will "time out" of Stage One child care during each month from July 2003 through December 2005.

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The county is to complete the questionnaire with actual and projected information on the number of children and families receiving Stage One child care who have reached or who will reach the end of the 24-month limit of child care services for which former CalWORKs recipients are eligible. This data must be reported separately by one-parent and two-parent families.

Note: The data being collected in this questionnaire are **only** for families and children of *former* recipients of CalWORKs cash assistance who will continue to receive their child care services through Stage One.

Enclosed are printed copies of the form and instructions. Additionally, a downloadable and fillable Excel version of this form is available on the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), Data Systems and Survey Design Bureau (DSSDB) web site at http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/dssdb/. Adobe Acrobat copies of the form and instructions may also be accessed and printed from http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research/DataTableR_457.htm. Hard copies can be faxed or mailed to:

California Department of Social Services Data Systems and Survey Design Bureau, M.S. 9-081 P.O. Box 944243 Sacramento, CA 94244-2430

FAX: (916) 657-2074

All counties are to submit the questionnaire for receipt by CDSS no later than **February 13, 2004**.

If you have any questions regarding completion of this questionnaire, please contact Nancy Marker, DSSDB, at (916) 657-3484.

Sincerely,

GLORIA MERK
Deputy Director
Administration Division

Enclosures

Timing Out Questionnaire Stage One CalWORKs Child Care

SEND ONE COPY OF THIS REPORT TO:
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Sacramento, CA 94244-2430 **FAX: (916) 657-2074**

COUNTY NAME REPORT PERIOD July 2003 through December 200										
				Stage One December	Children		Families			
						One-Parent Two-Parent		One-Parent Two-Parent		
					2003 Caseload	Families	Families	Families	Families	
					TOTAL	1	2	3	4	
Report Month	Children		Families		Report	Children		Families		
	One-Parent Families	Two-Parent Families	One-Parent Families	Two-Parent Families	Month	One-Parent Families	Two-Parent Families	One-Parent Families	Two-Parent Families	
Jul-03	5	6	7	8	Oct-04	65	66	67	68	
Aug-03	9	10	11	12	Nov-04	69	70	71	72	
Sep-03	13	14	15	16	Dec-04	73	74	75	76	
Oct-03	17	18	19	20	Jan-05	77	78	79	80	
Nov-03	21	22	23	24	Feb-05	81	82	83	84	
Dec-03	25	26	27	28	Mar-05	85	86	87	88	
Jan-04	29	30	31	32	Apr-05	89	90	91	92	
Feb-04	33	34	35	36	May-05	93	94	95	96	
Mar-04	37	38	39	40	Jun-05	97	98	99	100	
Apr-04	41	42	43	44	Jul-05	101	102	103	104	
May-04	45	46	47	48	Aug-05	105	106	107	108	
Jun-04	49	50	51	52	Sep-05	109	110	111	112	
Jul-04	53	54	55	56	Oct-05	113	114	115	116	
Aug-04	57	58	59	60	Nov-05	117	118	119	120	
Sep-04	61	62	63	64	Dec-05	121	122	123	124	
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INSTRUCTIONS

CONTENT

The CW 2197 report contains statistical information about children and families currently receiving CalWORKs Stage One Child Care who have "timed out" or will "time out" (reach the end of their 24 months of child care after leaving cash aid) during each of the months indicated.

PURPOSE

This data is collected to estimate the funding necessary to serve former CalWORKs recipients in Stage Three child care after they have exhausted their 24 months of Stage One child care.

DUE DATE AND CONTACT

The County Welfare Department (CWD) is responsible for ensuring that this semi-annual report is fully and accurately completed. If portions of the report are completed by more than one entity within the CWD and/or outside agencies, the contact person responsible for submitting the report to the state shall review the report for completeness and accuracy prior to submittal. Please submit only one report per county. Reports are to be received on or before Friday, February 13, 2004.

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If you have questions regarding this report, contact Data Systems and Survey Design Bureau (DSSDB) at (916) 651-8269.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Enter the county name in the drop down box provided near the top of the form.

Enter the data required for each item. If there is nothing to report for an item, enter "0". **Do not leave any items blank.**

Enter in the boxes at the end of the form the name, job title or classification, email address, telephone and fax number of the person to contact if there are questions about the report. This person may or may not be the person who completed the report. Enter the date the report was completed.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS CONTINUED

- This report only collects the number of <u>enrolled</u> Stage One children and families no longer on CalWORKs cash aid that have or will exhaust their 24 months of eligibility. The 24 month "timing out" period does not involve the number of payments made per family and child.
- When a Stage One family and its child(ren) are no longer on CalWORKs cash aid, the 24 month time limit begins on the first day of the month immediately following the month the adult is no longer receiving CalWORKs cash aid. The data reported in each data cell is considered the 24th month when the families and children have "timed out" or will "time out" of Stage One child care.
- ACTUAL "timed out" counts are the first six months indicated on the report and are only the children and families who have actually "timed out" of Stage One child care.
- PROJECTED "timed out" counts are the last 24 months of the report and are the children and families taken from the indicated Stage One child care Caseload Total who are off CalWORKs cash aid and have been projected to "time out" within the indicated 24 month time period.
- If NO Stage One children or families have "timed out" or will "time-out" during an indicated month, enter zero where appropriate. NOTE: If the county reports all zeros on the CW 2197, county should provide a footnote in the Comments section that confirms the county has no Stage One children and families off cash aid.
- DO NOT report Stage One children and families who are off CalWORKs cash aid and that have transferred to Stage Two child care before "timing out".
- The data reported on the CW 2197 is not identical to the Child Care Monthly Reports (CW 115/A).
- If necessary, use the Comments section to explain your estimates.
- Please include Stage One children and families no longer on CalWORKs cash aid on December 31, 2003, regardless of the reason they remain in Stage One.

ITEM INSTRUCTIONS

Stage One December 2003 Caseload/TOTAL: Enter the ACTUAL number of children and families no longer receiving CalWORKs cash aid, currently receiving CalWORKs Stage One Child Care on December 31, 2003, who will be "timing out" from January 2004 - December 2005. [Cells 1 – 4]

<u>July - December 2003</u>: Enter the ACTUAL number of children and families no longer receiving CalWORKs cash aid that $\underline{\text{did}}$ "time out" of the Stage One child care caseload during the indicated month. *[Cells 5 – 28]*

<u>January 2004 - December 2005</u>: Enter the PROJECTED number of children and families no longer receiving CalWORKs cash aid that were in Stage One child care on December 31, 2003 [see Cells 1-4], that will "time out" during the indicated month. Base this projection on a count of months. DO NOT modify projections for expected attrition. [Cells 29-124]

COMMENTS

Use the Comments section to:

- Explain any major fluctuations in data.
- Explain any adjustment entries.
- Provide information as directed in the report instructions.
- Provide any other comments the county determines necessary.